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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 00-006

TO: Charter School Administrators, Directors, Principals

FROM: Kristen Jordison

DATE: September 14, 1999

SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 15, 1999 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report (CHAR 55-1) and Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

Enclosed you will find the SEPTEMBER 15, 1999 apportionment reports for your charter school. These reports reflect data used to calculate the FY 1999-2000 Equalization Base/Assistance. The SEPTEMBER reports are based on the May 28, 1999 estimated student counts submitted to the Department of Education by your charter school. In order to be eligible for an August 15th payment School Finance had to have received your estimated counts no later than August 28, 1999.

Also included in this payment are adjustments for 200 day calendar schools. The increase for the current year is reflected in a 5% increase to your Base Level Amount (see Char 55 page 2). For those schools that participated in the program last year please see the enclosed documentation on the prior year final 200 day ADM adjustment (reflected on the Char 64 report).

The OCTOBER 15, 1999 payment will be based on the September 24, 1999 estimated counts. **These counts must be received by School Finance no later than September 24, 1999 at 5:00 PM to be eligible for an October payment.** Any counts received after this deadline will result in a zero payment for October. If you have any questions on the September 24, 1999 enrollment count please contact Rose Whelihan at (602) 542-8240 or e-mail at rwhelih@mail1.ade.state.az.us.

The new look of your apportionment reports is a result of a successful conversion to the new Student Accountability Information System (SAIS). We have worked hard to ensure that not only the data is correct but also that the calculations are accurate. However, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to call me at (602) 542-8249 or e-mail kjordis@mail1.ade.state.az.us. Also, as part of the new platform your Char 55-1 and Char 64-1 reports are available to be downloaded from the Department's web site (<http://www.ade.state.az.us/schoolfinance/>) as a PDF file. This will allow you to print and view your reports without having to re-format them as you have in the past.

Enclosures

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